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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No. 0590112

PATENT

Examiner: Helane Myers Group Art Unit: 1106

In re application: PETER J. JESSUP ET AL.

Serial No. 08/904,594 Filed: August 1, 1997

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Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)

Applicants hereby petition to make the above-identified patent application, Serial No. 08/904,594 filed on August 1, 1997, special because it is for an invention which materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind by contributing to the restoration or maintenance of the basic lifesustaining natural elements: air, water and/or soil.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.102 and Section 708.02(V) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, this petition is accompanied by the affidavit of applicants' attorney explaining how the claimed invention contributes to the restoration or maintenance of air.

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(c), no fee is required for this petition.

In view of the foregoing and the enclosed affidavit, it is respectfully requested that this petition to make the above-identified application special be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 CFR 1.102

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

OUNTY OF ORANGE)

Gregory F. Wirzbicki, being duly sworn, hereby deposes and says:

- THAT he is the attorney of record for the applicants in the above-identified patent application, Serial No. 08/904,594 filed on August 1, 1997.
- identified patent application relate to gasoline compositions, processes for their manufacture, and methods for their use so as to reduce or minimize the release into the atmosphere of the pollutants carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen oxides (NO $_{\rm x}$), and/or unburned or incompletely burned hydrocarbons (HC), i.e., hydrocarbon components originally present in the gasoline fuel which are not fully converted to carbon monoxide or carbon dioxide and water during combustion in an automobile engine.

3. THAT the invention materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind by contributing to the restoration and/or maintenance of life-sustaining air by decreasing the emissions from automotive vehicles of one or more of CO, NO_{x} , and unburned HC.

Further, affiant says not.

Gregory F. Wirzbicki

Subscribed and sworn to me this 11th day of March, 1998.



Notary public for and in State of California County of Orange
My Commission Expires 8-14-98